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FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMCONSUL ISTANBUL

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PGOV, TU  
SUBJECT: REPLY TO ECUMENICAL PATRIARCH FROM PRESIDENT FORD

REF: ISTANBUL 2222

1. AT ITS DISCRETION, CONSULATE GENERAL SHOULD TRANSMIT TO  
ECUMENICAL PATRIARCH THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT  
FORD.

2.QUOTE.YOUR HOLINESS:  
YOUR THOUGHTFUL MESSAGE ON MY ASSUMPTION OF OFFICE AS  
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES IS SINCERELY APPRECIATED.  
PLEASE BE ASSURED OF MY FULL COMMITMENT TO THE GOAL OF A  
TRUE AND LASTING PEACE FOR ALL MANKIND. SINCERELY, GERALD  
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R. FORD. END QUOTE.

3. NEITHER DEPT NOR WHITEHOUSE PLANS TO RELEASE TEXT OF

REPLY BUT HAVE NO OBJECTION TO RELEASE BY THE RECIPIENT.  
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